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Attn: Refund Department

Re: Deposit Account Number 150030

Dear Sir or Madame:

Enclosed is a copy of a portion of our Deposit Account Statement of June 2006. Please review the highlighted charge on Serial Number 09/961, 255 in the amount of \$30.00 on fee code number 1252.

This charge is inappropriate as the Petition for Two Month Extension of Time originally filed on October 14, 2003 was misplaced within the PTO. The attached Decision to the Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment confirms that the Petition was filed timely before being misplaced within the Agency. At the time the Extension was filed the \$420 fee was included and charged to our Deposit Account. The Office has now charged an additional \$30 as the fee increased on April 1, 2006. As the Extension was filed timely in 2003, it is inappropriate for the Office to charge additional fees.

Please review this application and kindly refund \$30.00 to deposit account number 150030. Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Lohr at (703) 412-6472. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSŢADT, P.C.

Scott Lohr

Enclosure: Deposit Account Statement

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## **Deposit Account Statement**

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Mailed: 5/6/05

In re application of Bernard Dieny

Serial No. 09/961,255

Filed: September 25, 2001

For: Spin Valve Device with Spin-Dependent,

Specular Electronic Reflection

**DECISION ON** 

PETITION

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT filed June 30, 2004. The petition requests that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of May 4, 2004, for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on July 11, 2003 be withdrawn. The requester asserts that a timely response was filed on December 11, 2003.

#### DECISION

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the USPTO application file reveals that applicant's response was properly filed on December 11, 2003 in view of the fact that the originally filed papers have been located in the USPTO application file. Accordingly, applicants reply in the form of a two month extension of time, a Request for Continued Examination and request for entry of the after final amendment filed October 14, 2003, has been entered. The prior holding of abandonment is hereby vacated, and the application has been returned to pending status. The application shall be returned to the LIE for entering of the Request for Continued Examination. After such is completed, the case will be returned to the examiner for prompt consideration.

The Petition is GRANTED.

Jacqueline Stone, Director Technology Center 1700

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OBLON, SPIVAK, MCCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C. 1940 DUKE STREET ALEXANDRIA VA 22314 Docket No.: 213954US2

# IN THE UNITED STATES AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Bernard DIENY

SERIAL NO:

09/961,255

GAU:

1773

FILED:

September 25, 2001

EXAMINER: Nikolas UHLIR

FOR:

SPIN VALVE DEVICE WITH SPIN-DEPENDENT, SPECULAR ELECTRONIC REFLECTION

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313 Linked to OPTMS

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213954US CASE ID

SIR:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Previously Submitted:

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2003

Onsider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

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Enclosed:

☐ Amendment/Reply

☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

Other: Petition for Extension of Time (2 Months)

TC 1700

FEES	RATE	CALCULATIONS
Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months.	\$130.00	\$0.00
RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)	\$770.00	\$770.00
■ A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME IS REQUESTED	\$420.00	
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☐ REDUCTION BY 50% FOR FILING AS SMALL ENTITY	\$0.00	
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- A check in the amount of \$1,190.00 is enclosed
- ☐ Credit card payment form is attached to cover the fees in the amount of \$0.00
- Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/961,255

Applicants: Bernard DIENY Filing Date: September 25, 2001

For: SPIN VALVE DEVICE WITH SPIN-DEPENDENT,

SPECULAR ELECTRONIC REFLECTION

Group Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: UHLIR, Nikolas J.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

### Awaiting Further Action Status Request (in duplicate)

Our check in the amount of \$0 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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